

TECHNICAL/FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT WORK GROUP
MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 12, 2004

Meeting was held in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Department of Information Services, 1110 Jefferson Street SE, Olympia, Washington.

Present:

Members:

Alan Hull, Chair
Dennis Hausman, DIS
Bob Schwent, WSP
Spencer Bahner, King County
Sgt. John McIntosh, WDFW (Conference call)
Bob Johnson, KITTCOM (Conference call)

Minutes:

Dana Little, WSDOT

Guests:

Jay Morrison, Snohomish County, APCO Advisor for W. WA
Fred Radovich, Motorola
Jeanette Lomax, EMD

Introductions:

Everyone introduced himself or herself and Dennis introduced Jeanette Lomax to the group.

Approval of Minutes:

The meeting minutes from 11/10/2004 were reviewed and approved.

Meeting Schedule Changes beginning January 2005

- The topic was moved to the afternoon SAW Group meeting.

Report on DOC (McNeil Island) Partnership with the City of Tacoma

- No report at this time, as Jose was not in attendance.

OSCCR Update

- Alan Hull reported that after changes in the language of the agreement were made, Don Miller sent to his Assistant Attorney General. After EMD Asst. AG reviews, it will be passed on to the WSDOT Asst. AG and then the DIS Asst. AG.
- In regards to the ODOT interference, Alan reported that measurements say that the signal is coming from Bald Peak and will be investigated.
- Alan Hull and Chuck Cummer (ODOT) will see if they can come up with another solution, but not on that output frequency.

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Use of Federal Interoperability Frequencies with Sponsorship for use by State Agencies

- No change at this time, as Don Miller was not in attendance.

“Equipment and Specification Review Work Group”

- No change since our last discussion, as Guy Cranor was not in attendance.

Vulnerability and Threat Analysis – Critical Infrastructure (Jeanette Lomax)

- Jeanette Lomax, CEM, Federal Program Plans & State Agency Liaison, Emergency Management Division, was invited to the meeting to speak in regards to a request she posed for a definition or “attribute” for criticality.
- She presented a history to the group and discussed that Homeland Security has mandated that standards on infrastructure criticalities be provided. They are looking at 13 infrastructure criticalities and are looking for an attribute and a point of contact.
- Discussion occurred in regards to analyzing what is critical and what the critical links are and how they affect other agencies and how the public would be affected.
 - Discussion occurred on what the recourse and effects would be if WSP system went down.
- The group came up with the following for Jeanette:
 - Our “Attribute” or Definition
Statewide microwave backbone, which will affect all statewide radio systems.
 - Who we would recommend as a contact
-Possibly Qwest or Verizon NW (wired)
-Possible Verizon Wireless or Cingular (wireless)

Ferry System Attachment

- Dennis DeFries has been notified to provide the information, but Alan has not heard from him as of yet.

Update on (attempted) proposed licensing of the LERN and NLEC interstitials

- Sgt. McIntosh said he was going to have to withdraw their request because the APCO frequency coordinator does not want to give approval and Sgt. McIntosh does not think they can avail because of this opposition.
- Discussion occurred on what could possibly be done in this situation. It was agreed to delay on this issue until we see what the Federal Engineering study has to say.

The next scheduled meeting for the Technical Frequency Management Work Group will be held on Wednesday, December 22, 2004 from 10:00am – 12Noon. The location of the meeting is at 1110 Jefferson St. SE, Olympia.

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